

**City of Boston**  
**IN**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**COUNCILLORS CHARLES C. YANCEY AND CHUCK TURNER**  
**DR. JOSEPH D. WARREN**

- WHEREAS: Dr. Joseph D. Warren, the son of Geroldine (McDaniel) and Harold H. Warren, was born April 2, 1938, in Harlem; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Warren, as a young man, worked as a VISTA training coordinator in New York City, and as assistant supervisor for the New York City Youth Board; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Warren, in 1978, began working at Northeastern University, where he held several positions, including associate professor of African-American studies, urban assistant to the University's President, director of the Office of Community Affairs, and most recently, as special assistant to the Vice President for Government; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Warren, in 1979, established the Warren Commission, a political advocacy group that worked to improve the social and economic needs of communities of color in Massachusetts and in the nation; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Warren, in 1983, founded Northeastern University's Balfour Academy, a program that provides inner-city youth with rigorous college preparation; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Warren, an active member of the Democratic Party, served as assistant secretary for educational affairs under Governor Michael Dukakis' first administration, as an aide to Governor Dukakis from 1982 to 1986, and as a senior adviser during Michael Dukakis' 1988 presidential campaign; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Warren, who served in the Air Force during the Korean War, joined the Naval Reserve in 1983 and retired as a commander in 1994; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Warren earned a bachelor's degree in economics from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, a master's in social research from Brandeis University in 1972, and a doctoral degree in social work from Brandeis University in 1983; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Warren, a founding member of Boston's 1000 Black men, served on numerous boards and committees, including Michael Dukakis' Community Development Coordinating Council, and the Alumni Association Board at the Heller School at Brandeis University; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Warren is survived by his wife, Martha Warren; his son, Newton Mayor Setti Warren; his daughter, Makeda Warren Keegan; his stepdaughter Lea Walker Ruggiero; his stepson, Keir Walker; his brother, Harold Warren, Jr.; his sister, Marlene Warren; his granddaughter, Abigail Warren; and numerous friends and colleagues; Be It Therefore
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, pays tribute to Dr. Joseph D. Warren for his generous contributions to society, helping others to achieve; and Be it Further
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, proclaims Sunday, October 24, 2010 as Dr. Joseph D. Warren Day throughout the City of Boston.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

*Charles C. Yancy*  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

*Charles C. Yancy*  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

October 27, 2010